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**FOR:       Compact Suture Punch with Malleable Needle**

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**AMENDMENT, RESPONSE AND PETITION FOR  
ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action (hereinafter "the Action") dated November 2, 2006,  
please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper;

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this paper; and

**Remarks** begin on page 14 of this paper.